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- * WEDDING BELLS
- * PING PONG
- * JUGGLER
- * FAUX PAS

Well, it isn't spring, but it might as well be, as they say on the Hit Parade. Romance is flowering, so this column extends its congratulations (we have no cigars) to Maurice Wilson, our own make-up editor, and the former Ferne Brendemuhl of Sabin, and to Burdette Coleman and the former Beverly MacDonald, also a former Dragon. Now girls, don't throw away those text books. The teaching profession needs you!

Speaking of marriage, if any of you boys are thinking of Arla Krabbenhoft as a prospect, forget it. Arla is interested only in ping pong. Everytime we see Arla she is immersed in a cloud of ping pong balls. We don't think any of you men would be happy throwing the breakfast grapefruit back and forth across a net.

Still in the ball-throwing department, we hear Dan Murphy is an expert at tossing rubber balls against the Mystic office walls. We wish Mr. Murphy would come in and verify this. The Mystic staff is capable of a good many tricks but none of us, Mr. Murphy, can toss a wicked rubber ball.

Also, we think we ought to tell you what happened to some poor unfortunates who, were singing in Detroit Lakes one Sunday, namely James Preston, Richard Ydstie, Imogene Johnson, and Dorothy Reynolds. In order to obtain a rest in between sessions, they had funds for two hotel rooms.

They registered, the bell boy took them upstairs, opened a room, prepared to leave. "But," said the singers, "We asked for two rooms." "Well," said the bell boy, "This has two double beds."

The saddest happenings around these parts lately concern "Chub" Ness's automobile. Said automobile is just as used to traveling on its back as right side up. The world can be glad that Chub is going professional instead of being a truck driver.

So now again, we point an accusing finger at Dr. Christiansen. The members of education 320 heard strange things from this man one day. The subject was attaining of new conceptions from old things.

"You take old parts to make new things", said Dr. Christiansen, "for instance, you could take a disc, an axle, Dr. Lura and Mrs. Askegaard and put them on top of the building. You could place Dr. Lura and Mrs. Askegaard on the disc and start it revolving—you see, new creation from old things."

But, Dr. Christensen, how dare you? Is that any way to treat Dr. Lura and Mrs. Askegaard, even if they are deans?

Dr. Christensen also astounded the same Education 320 class with his method of proving the error of placing imagination above reality. At the end of a lecture on the subject he made the following profound declaration.

"The way to bring this home to you people is, imagined sweethearts do not take the place of real ones."

Condolences to John Polisen, who decorated so many Christmas trees at school he couldn't stand to have one in his own home.

Bernard (Bull in the China Shop) Nugent is the band's worst enemy these days. Nugent pulled a vaudeville act and fell into the orchestra during the Bemidji-M.S.T.C. game, breaking two trombones. Now Mr. Nugent, what do you have against music?

Other vaudeville performers at the M.S.T.C.-Bemidji game were Dr. Dildine, Dr. Westfall, and Mr. Johnson, who were jitter bugging to the music of the band Mr. Nugent so

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Victory Dragon Scheduled To Be Out May 15

The Dragon Staff is working to produce the 1946 Victory edition of the college yearbook, which will be published and in the hands of students May 15. A new feature will be an album section of pictures and records of former students, graduates and faculty members of the M.S.T.C. who have served in the war. Ardath Meland and Niles Jefferson have been sending and receiving the letters and pictures of the servicemen.

The Editors would like the students to know that this year's book will be larger than the '44 and '45 books.

To quote Co-editors Marilyn Murray and Joyce Coleman, "We will be able to have crimson embossed leather covers again. We expect the students to help the staff meet the February production schedule by turning in interesting snapshots of the campus and college life and keeping their picture appointments. We welcome any ideas by the student body."

The selection of representative seniors for the yearbook will be held today, January 17.

Schoolmasters Set A New Precedent

The 193rd regular monthly meeting of the Schoolmasters Study Club was held January 16 at Concordia College. The meeting was extraordinary in the fact that this was the first time that women had been invited.

Dr. A. M. Christensen, chairman of the M.S.T.C. Division of Professional Education, spoke to the group on the topic "Pupils Are Strangers." Dr. Dildine also addressed the group on problems of child guidance and new technique in the field of child behavior. Dinner was served in the Concordia cafeteria.

Miss Williams Is At Chicago University

Miss Matilda Williams, now on leave of absence, is attending the University of Chicago. After she left the college early last fall, she planned to attend Southern California. The instruction in pottery work, in which she was particularly interested, proved inadequate. She then went to Chicago, where she is now taking courses in art history, American architecture, Chinese art, and Baroque. Miss Williams attended the western division College Art Association convention at Northwestern University.

She also mentioned in a letter to Mr. Johnson of seeing Mr. Rudd, who was a convocation speaker at the College last year, and Miss Holmquist and Miss Solem, who are on leave of absence.

nearly wrecked. The younger generation has no professional dignity.

The staid members of that highly intellectual society, the language club behaved most queerly at their last luncheon at the dormitory. Miss FitzMaurice was forced to be absent because of a sprained ankle. An impromptu program developed. It included a Scottish dance by the Alexander twins, a "swoon" song by Glenn Ringstad, a balad number by John Polesino, a piano duet by Beverly Hicks and Virginia Pearson, all of which numbers were played out of tune. Charlotte Heisler was the originator of this bizarre movement.

Michaels Back On Campus

Mr. Herman Michaels, a graduate and former faculty member, has accepted a position with the Veter-



an's Bureau on the M.S.T.C. campus. Mr. Michaels joined the service on April 27, 1942, was trained at Vint Hill Farms near Washington, and in London, England. Later he joined the 19th Corps Combat Intelligence and crossed the channel to the Continent. He remained there until he obtained a discharge on December 18, 1945.

Before going into the service, Mr. Michaels was an assistant to Miss Martha Kleppe in rural supervision for two years.

Mr. Chester O. Hylland of Hudson, Wisconsin, began his duties as training officer at the Veterans Administration Guidance Center on December 4. He took the place of Mr. L. A. Hummel as training officer, who has resigned to return to Pine Island, where he will operate the local theatre.

Mr. Hylland comes well qualified to fill the position to which he has been assigned. He received his B. S. degree in industrial education at the University of Minnesota and later did graduate work in that field. He taught industrial arts and coached high school athletics in both Iowa and Minnesota. Prior to entering the navy, he was coordinator in metal trades under a Smith-Hughes program at Lamars, Iowa.

Campus High Junior Winner In Essay Contest

Patricia Bane, a junior at the Campus High School, was one out of the ten students in Minnesota high schools chosen as a winner in the tuberculosis essay contest sponsored by the Minnesota Health Association.

Patricia was given a trip to St. Paul to broadcast over station WCCO on December 22. The script on this program included the prize-winning essays. Five schools were represented that week and five the following week.

Miss Viola Petrie, High School supervisor, directed her in the contest.

The Mystic wants items of campus interest for "Life on the Great Circle." If you have any amusing stories concerning your friends, please hand it in to the Mystic Post Office Box or the Mystic office.

Dragon Male Enrollment Kept On Constant Rise

Since the beginning of the school year, there has been a steady filtering back of service veterans into the campus enrollment. Many of these men were attending M.S.T.C. when their college careers were interrupted by calls to the services. Others are now attending college for the first time. The swing back is, of course, welcomed by the students and faculty of the college and definite changes are in evidence in classrooms, at parties, and in extra curricular activities.

New names are being added all the time, but at the time of this printing, eleven have enrolled since the holiday recess.

Newton Bell Speaks Today

Newton H. Bell, world traveler and lecturer will speak on "The Changing World in the Pacific" at the convocation today. Mr. Bell is a member of the United States Merchant Marine and will appear in uniform.

Feature artist at the January 10 convocation was Dr. Teyet Ramar, better known as Chief White Feather. The first part of Dr. Ramar's program included songs from various nations of the world sung in the foreign tongues. He concluded the musical part of the concert with the "Vesti La Suibba" from Pagliacci and the hymn "I'd Rather Have Jesus".

Dr. Ramor gave a short talk on the educational needs of the Indian people of the U. S.

Dr. Ramor's background is one of the most colorful of any of the world's artists. He is the son of a Sioux father and a Cherokee-French mother. Though he was the youngest of five brothers, he was elected president of the council of the seven Sioux tribes and, by act of the council, will be the last great chief. He is descended from the famous Chief Sitting Bull.

Chief White Feather was heard by Walter Damrosch when the Chief was soloist with an Eastern college choir and was encouraged in his musical studies by Dr. Damrosch. He had studied both in America and in Europe. He has been associated with the Metropolitan Opera of New York and La Scala of Milan, Italy. He has completed two world-wide tours during which he made several command performances.

Students View Shakespeare Scene

The "Shakespearean Calvacade" was presented in the Moorhead Armory Tuesday, January 15. The program presented by C. N. Lum and Kate P. Stokes consisted of excerpts from several Shakespearean dramas lived up to all notices and provided a pleasant evening of entertainment for the student body.

Mr. Lum's experience in Shakespearean repertoire ranges from appearances with such stars as Ethel Barrymore and Nance O'Neill in the United States, and James Brown Potter in London to traveling extensively with his own companies.

Kate Pentzer Stokes has also had a distinguished career as leading lady on the legitimate stage, having appeared in such Broadway successes as "The Fool", "Royal Family" and has also starred with Mr. Lum in many of his tours.

Duane Anderson, from Fargo, in attending M. S. T. C. for the time. He is preparing to take a major in music. Duane saw action in the European theatre of war.

Hawley Ela, from Shelly, is taking history as a major subject.

Norman Felde, Fargo, has seen action in Rhineland and Central Europe. He was a corporal in the Engineers. Having attended M. S. T. C. previously, he is back to major in physical education.

David Herringer, Moorhead, has been in the Army Air Force and held the rank of corporal.

LaVerne Morkert, Barnesville, was in the Army Air Force for some time. Having served as a Sergeant in China, Burma and India, he is now working at an accounting course.

Robert Nelson, Ada, also a Dragon for the first time, is taking subjects which will help him in beginning a pre-dental course.

Jim Nemzek, Moorhead, served as a corporal in the Marine Corps and saw twenty-nine months of action in the South Pacific. Jim is a Campus High graduate.

Carl Peterson, Moorhead, will major in Industrial Arts and English.

Virgil Robinson, Staples, saw action in France and Germany as a first Lieutenant in the C. A. C. Virgil has returned to his Alma Mater to continue his physical education and mathematics majors.

Jake Simonitsch, Moorhead, after attending M. S. for a time, was in action with the 8th A. A. F. as a first Lt. He is now back taking subjects in pre-law.

Vallie Dallen, Fargo, is a two year student and is new to the Dragon Campus.

Seating Order For Winter Term Set

At the suggestion of the Student Commission, the convocation committee has set up a new arrangement for the winter term. Senior girls will occupy the front center section, rows C and D. Juniors will be immediately back of them, then Sophomores, Freshmen, and men students in rows S, T, U, and V.

The Choir and Faculty will lead the recessional, with Choir going down the side isles, and Faculty following the president and speaker down the two center isles. Seniors will follow the Faculty, then Juniors, Sophomores, Freshmen women and men students.

A well-organized order of service, the committee believes, lends dignity to the programs. In order to achieve this goal, students must be in their seats promptly. Admitting that any routine activity seems monotonous at times, the committee points out that convocation is the only occasion when the College meets as a unit, and further that the programs are varied in character to meet different tastes.

Still another reason for a unified and dignified service is that every alumnus wants to attend convocation when he comes back to the Campus, because it is here that he catches the pulse-beat of the institution.

If it is necessary for a student to be absent from convocation, he should see Mrs. Askegaard in Room 229, MacLean hall.

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A Challenge

Well, here we have it! A place to express our views on your college. If there is something you like, you can praise it; if there is something that particularly irks you, by all means write it up in the form of an editorial and rush it to the editors.

Perhaps you don't want to confine your efforts to a subject as insignificant as a mere college when the whole fate of the world is trembling in the balance right now. Fine! Write your ideas in the form of an editorial and let us have it. Don't sit idly by and let the world fall apart! Write something!

The editors will give your work every consideration. Please remember this, however. The editors cannot consider your article unless they can read it. Translate your first writing, taken down in the fiery heat of inspiration, into legible prose before rushing it in. Second, give us your own name as well as your "pen name" if any. That's all. Now write!

Glimpse of the Continental Student

We moved into an area near Coutance and started shelling the town. We sat there for some time while men and materials piled up behind us. It was almost a week before the break-through at St. Lo.

In the meantime I became well acquainted with the Norman family into whose house my section of the battery had moved. One of the boys was a student at a high school in Cherbourg, but he had been visiting his home at the time of the invasion and had been unable to return.

He was quite worried about his high school and pestered me with questions about the damage Cherbourg had suffered. I had never been there; I was not interested in the rear areas, anyway, and so I am afraid I was not of much help to the boy. It was hard for me to understand his extreme interest in his education at a time when the chaos of the greatest war in history had enveloped Normandy.

His attitude was that we would surely win eventually, and as there was not much that he could do in battle, he wanted to continue his studies. The future of France lay in the hands of its students, he claimed. He was intensely patriotic, and wanted to do all that he could for his country.

Singular as this attitude seemed to me at the time, it was characteristic of the few students that I managed to become acquainted with. Whether they were French, Belgian, or German, they held the future of their country of the primary importance.

They all went through physical difficulties in furthering their education. One boy, going to a university in Dinant, had to walk almost seven miles. None of them were very well clothed, and the rations of food they were allowed did not seem to be sufficient. In addition to their personal inconveniences, their schools and universities had suffered much damage. Some of them were completely destroyed.

The traditional scholar living in a garret while almost starving, suffering from cold, and attempting to study at the same time is no longer a tradition, I am afraid. The famous university of Sorbonne in Paris cannot find places for its students to room. Living conditions were very poor and becoming even more of a problem at the time I got out of Europe in October. I suppose winter has made it even tougher.

In spite of the problem, the students seem to be accomplishing much. They are fanatical scholars and concentrate almost entirely on their studies. The destruction and horrors of the war had had a very sobering effect on them. They are more serious, and find little time for parties and frolics, that are such a pleasant part of college life in America.

There are not very many items in the papers about the educational problems Europe is encountering. Events of more popular interest crowd them out. I do not know how those young men are getting along. They certainly deserve success and an improvement in living conditions.—N. J.

DR. WOODALL
WRITES MISTIC

The MISTIC has received a letter from Dr. Allen Woodall, former publications adviser and English instructor here, who is now assistant professor at Boston University. We quote from him:

"During this Christmas vacation I have finally had time to read over the copies of the MISTIC which have been coming to Utica. It is like being home to hear of the students, but I realize that in another year new names will begin to replace the familiar and friendly group that we have known. And when I heard that Mildew Hall is no more I really sighed: 'Eheu fugaces...'"

"Then I sat me down to write a lament..."

In Memoriam Mildewensis
 They say the Ghost of Mildew Hall
 is now without a home,
 It has the campus circle and the
 prairie ways to roam,
 For they say the last brown boards
 went down before the hammer
 stroke,
 And only ghosts and memories will
 cling like winter smoke
 Unseen upon the midnight air be-
 neath a cloudy moon
 Bringing remembrance to the heart
 like a forgotten tune...
 —Allen E. Woodall.

Mistic Interviews

"Petey" at College Grocery



"It's chocolate revel today!" says Petey as he scoops up ice cream for Betty Britton, Cliff Aamoth, and Juell Linde.

Whether you call his "P. D." or "Petey" it sounds the same and is the same to Mr. Clarence Pederson, proprietor of the college grocery. He has held this position for five years, having taken over the business in April, 1941. Busy behind the counter from 8 o'clock a. m. until 9:00 p. m., Petey says he knows most of the Dragons by appearance and also by name. The reputation of their grocer among the student body seems to be that of a jolly good fellow and a cheerful supplier of the best available in confections, soft drinks and similar vital demands of our students.

It must be a dozen times a day, Petey says, that students come in the store, open the cooler, and give with that plaintive query, "Petey, when are ya gonna get coke in again?" And like all other good grocers, he regrets the limited amount of such commodities which

Faculty On Review

By Glen Ringstad

When it comes to the matter of having an enterprising and highly interesting faculty, Moorhead State Teachers College need bow to no one. For years now, it has greatly influenced our lives and through it all displayed an uncanny ability to be highly entertaining as well as instructive. Such interesting characters!

Take Miss FitzMaurice, for instance. Have you ever tried to cut a class of Miss FitzMaurice's? I believe that here is to be found the reason for her deep interest in fortunes, tea-leaves and other salient features of the astrological world. By it, she has managed to find that insight which enables her to divine the activities of fugitives from the cosmopolitan goings-on in her class room; for no matter where you take that arbitrary day off, be it the Student Center, Fargo, or the Board Walk at Atlantic City, you are sure to meet Miss FitzMaurice, who will walk majestically by with a stoic "bonjour", leaving you cringing in your tracks. The next day you will have a talk with Miss FitzMaurice in her office. Miss FitzMaurice is very gay and charming. You laugh loudly, you tell her the deep secrets of your soul, you grow very chummy, and then all of a sudden you realize that you're being bawled out and you'd better get to work if you expect to be frequenting the place much longer. It is then that you slink out with that beaten look.

And then there is Miss Wenck. To me Miss Wenck is a fabulous creature from over on the other side of the campus who is always involved in operettas, choruses, Euterpe, choirs, and maybe even the Chamber Music Society of Lower Basin Street. At least, I bet that Miss Wenck could easily run said society. It would probably become a symphony over night with maybe a chorus and a couple of operetta casts as an annex. It's a good thing Miss Wenck never got hold of Tobacco Road. It would probably still be playing.

In Mr. Bridges, we find a difficult puzzle. You sit through hours of history in which the environment of North Carolina becomes involved

with Hannibal's elephants and the reign of Caesar Augustus and you swear you haven't learned a thing and then for weeks after you find to your disgust that you not only remember what Mr. Bridges said, but what the text book said, what the references said and you can't remember what your neighbors in the back row were saying at the same time. Such are the miracles of Mr. Bridges' manner of teaching.

When we think of Dr. Kise, we think of one word—"efficiency." For weeks now, it has been our firm conviction that the reason the Veterans Guidance office is not messy and useless as all good government offices should be is because Dr. Kise inhabited the place for so long before. As for the other half, Miss Holmquist's room, Miss Holmquist is no mean model of efficiency herself. Which reminds us, did you ever register with Miss Holmquist? Miss Holmquist is decidedly assured that registration is perfectly clear at M.S.T.C. and that courses follow in order and that it is history's greatest crime to upset this order. Miss Holmquist cares not the least if you are a music major and have to take mechanical drawing and anatomy and elements of repairing Remington Office models. Just so it doesn't disturb the schedule.

If we investigate the English department further we find Miss Taintor, who makes us think of the word dramatics. We are assured that to Miss Taintor the world is a stage and surrounded by mystery and everything in it ties up to that old philosophy "Born and bred in the briar patch and there I'se going to die."

The word for Dr. Murray is moderation and stability. Nothing would disturb Dr. Murray, not earthquakes or cyclones or atomic bombs. Sometimes, however, we are going to try a sentence like "I aint got none." Perhaps that is the exception to the rule.

We have also Dr. Westfall. We will never cease to be amazed at the way Dr. Westfall will have you all involved in the composition of the uranium atom and then make you forget it all by the telling of some marvelous joke.

And so it goes. We have Miss Lumley of "epic" fame, Dr. Heaton, the perfect example of cool, calm, intellectual deliberation, Dr. Dildine, who has a number of girls swooning because he reminds them of Fred MacMurray, Mr. Addicott, vender of horneblende, Dr. Christensen to whom everyone has problems and so on.

We would mention Miss Frick, also, only we are desperately afraid of receiving a long distance call from New York saying, "All right, infant! You have your nerve. Just wait until I get back. They'll pick you up in pieces!" We'll just go home and be quiet now, instead.

MSTC Grad Publishes In
North Dakota Teachers Magazine

Miss Francis Hanson, a graduate of M.S.T.C., has written an article entitled "Geography Can Be Fun" which was published in the December issue of the North Dakota Teachers Magazine. Miss Hanson is now teaching in Fargo.

A wooden match spends about an hour getting cut, dipped, dried and packed, but it takes a year to produce a match because of the seasoning the wood must undergo.

M.S. coeds seem to consume a notable amount of cookies. By far the best sellers in this department is the chocolate "Oreo Sandwich." Very popular also are butterscotch sandwiches. Ritz crackers are another item constantly in demand.

A number of M.S. students prepare their own lunches both off-campus and in the sorority apartments in MacLean basement. This group seems anxious to obtain the better kinds of soups, fruits, bread, milk, canned vegetables and other materials for quick lunches.

All in all, conditions at the "College Grocery" are really not too bad, and with Petey in there pitching we won't starve this winter.

Recent Games Show Rise In Dragon Power

Letter To The Editor ... *Lage Chatter*

In response to the letter to the editor published in the last issue I as a sorority girl would add a little enlightenment to the inquiries of a disinterested party. I will take the points as they were presented in that letter.

1. Objectively look again for a reason for existence of sororities. If there were no benefits to be derived from them, they would have undoubtedly disappeared long ago. In fact, they would have hardly been established here since this is the only Teachers College in the state which allows sororities. Naturally, the purposes of the sororities are primarily social, and aim to provide a good social background plus fellowship among and for its members. Of course, each group may have other specific purposes of its own.

2. Do you have any friends whose company you enjoy a great deal? Sororities are no more undemocratic than that -- naturally, girls go around together when they have interests in common, as girls in the same sororities would do. As a member of a sorority, I've never been discouraged from associating with non-sorority girls, nor have I felt any antagonism or superiority toward them. Many sorority girls on this campus consider non-sorority girls among their best friends. I think if you observe carefully, you will see that sorority girls hold practically all the important positions on the campus. Note too, that these girls come from the various sororities and not from just one group. Therefore, they must have a few non-sorority friends among their various interests and also they can't be quite as undesirable as you would have us believe.

3. One common interest which holds a group together may be the same as the one that makes you go around with your friends. You just like each other. Of course there are naturally such interests as sports, music, or art which should be considered too. The purpose is primarily social. I believe the basis for choosing members may vary some from group to group, but these principles, I'm sure, are considered by all: personality, scholarship, extra-curricular activity and personal qualities and habits. Just as an English club or a science club has primarily English or science qualifications a social organization would have primarily social qualifications.

4. Contrary to your assumption, sororities are not constantly quarreling or antagonistic toward one another. Naturally we're all human and differences arise, but thus far any controversy has been adequately and promptly settled by the inter-sorority council. In fact that body has had enough cooperation among the representatives of each sorority to draw up and maintain as a guide through all the years, an inter-sorority compact which this year has been revised to meet changing conditions. You see, sororities can and do agree.

I hope this has been at least in part an answer to the questions raised. Inquiries such as this should make any sorority girl take stock of herself, and if the questions are important to the non-sorority girl, maybe she had better take stock of herself too.

Respectfully,
A Sorority Dragon.

The following is a part of a letter received by Dr. Murray from a former editor of the Dragon, Lt. Max Powers, who is now in Tokyo.

30 December
Tokyo Bay

Dear Mr. Murray,

A little late, but a good way to start off the almost New Year by saying that I think the MISTIC is now a fine college paper. It's all your fault too--now don't be modest!

Maybe you could help me with a requisition. I'd like to order the little gal who wrote the letter to the editor in the November 20th issue of the MISTIC. I couldn't go wrong with her here to help me. You see, I've been screaming to go home for the last month (my 18 months overseas was up on November 25). I'm sure that a girl with such a temper could surely convince Commander Phil, Group 11, (my boss) that I have to go home. Honestly though, the letter was very interesting. It's been so long since I've seen a woman get angry. Tell you what, if she'll promise to meet me at the depot when I come home, I'll wear the dirtiest, filthiest, worn out sweater--just to see her get "red with purple spots."

Sincerely,
Max Powers.

(Lt. Powers refers to the feature on men's clothing, the author of which has not yet granted permission to publish her name.)

The following poem brings to light a strange phenomena at MSTC. In spite of the ample facilities provided by the Student Center and the Student Lounge, students still use the library for conversing. Thus a plea for co-operation in the use of the library.

THE LIBRARY HOUR

Between the student and homework,
When lessons need to be done
Comes a time in their occupation
That is known as the Library Hour.

There is at the table beside me
The wagging of many tongues
The sound of books that are opened
But with pages mute and dumb.

A whisper, and then a silence:
Yet I know by a sense from inside
They are plotting and planning together
To make more noise at my side.

Then!
A sudden rush from the stairway,
A sudden raid from the hall!
By a door which swings wide open
More enter the Library walls.

They clip-clump up to the tables
Bumping the backs of the chairs
When I try to concentrate I'm unable
They seem to be everywhere.

They deafen my ears with their noises
Their whispers and laughs fill the air
Now my studying is thoroughly distracted
So I head for the broad hall stair.
— Dorothy Jones.

Campus High Will Debate With Spuds

Campus School debate teams under the direction of Dr. Hawkinson and Ardath Meland, forensics commissioner, will hold their first practice contest with Moorhead High School this week.

Members of the teams are Ralph Garner, Vernon Olson, Ronald Reski, Richard Mickelson, June Oleen, Carol Robinson, and Edsel Wicklund.

By Maurice Wilson)

The Dragons proved they could almost upset the dopebucket when they went into two overtime periods to be defeated by the Cobbers. The first half was slow and uneventful but the second turned out to be a firecracker. It showed that the team has the ability to play good ball... A former pre-war gridiron and basketball player, Norman Felde, made his debut in the Cobber clash, helping in the tough spots... With more men entering this quarter it looks as if the school will have enough gladiators to take to the gridiron next fall... Hats off to Concordia, our inter-city rival as they displayed good ball playing, in winning the NDU tourney... We further our congratulations to the University of Minnesota's Golden Gophers for the way they have been performing on the hardwood and it looks as if they are headed for the Big Ten championship... A new face was in the Dragon lineup for the Bemidji game, a former Dragon star, Virgil Robinson, has returned to continue with his higher learning and lead the team to great glories on the court and field... We sincerely hope that Ralph Rothrock will have fully recovered from his injury and return to the school, for the former Dragon athlete will be valuable on the gridiron next fall... I may be climbing out on the limb but I have a feeling the Dragons will down the Wops in the next home game... So until I again get the call, I'll just remain... M. W.

Margaret Vowles Wed Out On Coast

Miss Margaret Vowles, daughter of Mrs. Phebe Vowles and an MSTC graduate, became the wife of Sgt. Robert C. Danforth December 8. They are now at home in Arlington, Va., following a wedding trip to Philadelphia.

The marriage vows were spoken in the Lincoln Chapel of the New York Auenrie Presbyterian church, Washington, D. C., with Rev. George W. Burroughs officiating. Attendants were Miss Dorothy Hagen, Black River Falls, Wisc., and Sgt. E. Wallace McMullen, Jr., Clearwater, Florida.

Out of town guests included Mrs. Vowles, Mrs. Rathke, Chicago; and Miss Isabella Compton, Lake Forest, Ill. Other guests included Miss Verna Heston, Mr. and Mrs. Verne B. Lewis, and Clarence Eskildsen, all formerly associated with MSTC.

Mrs. Danforth is a graduate of Moorhead High School and MSTC, where she was a member of Pi Mu Phi sorority. She taught at Crookston and then was later employed in Fargo and Moorhead. The past three years she has worked in the war department at Arlington.

Sgt. Danforth is a graduate of Hyde Park High School, Chicago. He entered the service August, and Illinois Institute of Technology. He entered the service August, 1942, was stationed in New Delhi, India, and returned to the States in August, 1945. Since then he has been stationed in Arlington.

WAA Schedules Game With NDAC Team

The W.A.A. has started another very active quarter by having basketball on every Monday night and skating, ping pong, or shuffle board on Wednesday nights.

The W.A.A. is also scheduling a game with the A.C. girls as soon as possible and would like everyone to attend the game to support the girls. Notices will be posted as to when the game will be played.

(By Lowell Melbye)

Concordia 44, MSTC 41 was the final score of last Tuesday night's weird basketball engagement played on the Moorhead Junior High court. But wrapped up in those totaled 85 points is a story that may well linger indefinitely as a choice bit of basketball confab on the Dragon and Cobber campuses.

Consider these facts:

1. Two five-minute overtime periods were played before Concordia emerged the winner.

2. The Cobbers were ruled 10-point favorites as a consequence of an earlier 48-34 win over the Dragons.

3. From the beginning of the second half to the conclusion of the game, a fair estimate of the number of times the lead changed would be 12.

4. Twice, Bohn, Cobber center, had an opportunity to clinch the game with free shots after the final gun had sounded, but failed.

Coach Roy Domek sent the Dragons against Concordia in search of victory No. 1 with a revamped lineup that had Ness and Felde as the forwards, Bob Dodds, center, and Nugent and Garven at guard positions; and through the combined efforts of Chub Ness and Floyd Garven it appeared midway in the third quarter that a possible victory was very much in the making.

Garven demonstrated uncanny basketball talent throughout the battle, reason number one that tells why the Dragons were in the game all the way. Reason number two was the brilliant shooting of Chub Ness, who thrilled the near-packed gymnasium time and again with his right-hand pivot shots from well out in the court and his long-range sniping at the hoop. Ness topped all scorers with 18 points on 8 field goals and two free throws. Garven followed with 15 counters, the two together registering 33 of the Dragon's 41 markers.

MSTC didn't have the height. Brakke, lanky Concordia center, whose long arms enabled him to control the ball under both bankboards, was the big reason Concordia won. No credit, on the other hand, can be taken away from any Cobber player, for they demonstrated the effectiveness of a well-coached squad whose ability to play together was never doubted by anyone.

Concordia led at the first quarter marker by 12 - 7. At half time, it was 15-12, Concordia. Ness and Garven connected with buckets after 30 seconds of the third quarter had elapsed, and the Dragons went ahead for the first time. The Dragons garnered 6 point leads twice before the close of the quarter and went into the final canto with a 26-21 lead. The score stood at 31-all when the regulation 40 minutes had run out. Each team had the lead twice in the first five minute overtime period and as the game led up to the second extra-session the score was deadlocked at 37-all.

Garven and Jackson scored baskets in the final extra-session, but it wasn't quite enough to match the Cobber's seven big points.

Thus Concordia is the Moorhead intercollegiate basketball champion for the 1945-46 season. But wait for that last game!

Former Faculty Man On Campus Last Week

Lt. Ralph Olson visited M.S.T.C. campus last week with his wife, the former Margaret Carlson, Fergus Falls, graduate of '42. Lt. Olson was a member of the geography department at M.S.T.C. in 1939-40 while Mr. Schwendeman was on leave of absence.

He has spent three years overseas in France and Germany. Part of this time he was teaching French to the G.I.'s in France under an education program.

Lt. Olson is now returning to Clark University to complete his doctorate degree.

Bemidji Beavers were the second past-holiday victors over the Dragons as they hung up a 44-35 victory on the MSTC floor last Thursday evening. The game was a non-conference affair.

Off to a whirlwind start, the invading Bemidji teachers piled up a 14-5 first quarter advantage that proved too big an obstacle for Domek's Dragons to overcome.

But in defeat there was evidenced much improvement in the play of the Dragon quint. The appearance of Virgil Robinson, former MSTC star performer, in the Bemidji contest, was a welcomed addition. Robinson shared scoring honors for the Dragons with Floyd Garven, each making 11 points. The aggressive floor play of Bob Dodds at center and Bernard Nugent at guard was a bright spot in the defeat. The usual good performances of Ness and Garven was very much in evidence Thursday evening.

Floyd Garven started the scoring for MS late in the first quarter after the Beavers had accrued 12 big points. "Garv" came back again with a gift shot and a one-hand push to make the quarter score 14-5 for Bemidji.

Three quick free throws for Bemidji widened the gap at the beginning of the second quarter to 17-5. Then Robinson was good for his first of four buckets, and Garven and Jackson connected to put the Dragons within 6 points of Bemidji. The narrow margin had only a short existence, however and the halfway mark found the Beavers pulling away, 25-14.

In the final frame excitement began to run high in the Dragon camp when Ness and Robinson began hitting consistently, and they reduced the difference down to a mere five points. But subsequent tallies by Johnson and Spaulding, the Bemidji stars, stopped the evening's excitement, and Bemidji withdrew with a well-deserved 44-35 victory.

Dragons Vs Wahpeton

As this issue to the Mistic goes to press, the Dragons go against Wahpeton Science School on the M. S. T. C. court in search of victory number one. In the first meeting of the two teams, Wahpeton defeated the Dragons 50-38 at Wahpeton. But, with the addition of new faces to the Dragon roster and a rejuvenated spirit that manifested itself on the Science School with good possibilities for a victory. The probable starting lineup, as indicated by coach Roy Domek will include Ness and Robinson, forwards; Dodds, center; and Nugent and Garven, guards.

REMAINING GAMES

January 19—NDAC Bison—here.
January 25—St. Cloud—here.
January 29—Valley City, here.
February 9—Jamestown—here.
February 1—Mankato—there.
February 2—Winona—there.
February 7—Mayville—there.
February 22—St. Cloud—there.
February 23—Duluth—there.

Niles Jefferson Elected STD Vice-President

Sigma Tau Delta held a meeting in Ingleside on Wednesday evening, January 9. Niles Jefferson, Moorhead, was elected as vice-president. Letters were read from two former members, including Dr. Allen Woodall of Boston University.

Dr. Murray read an original selection, which was followed by discussion and lunch.

Deer cannot live in a grassland, antelope cannot live in a forest. The same differentiation is true of ruf-

Hendrickson To Speak At Newman Club Tonight

Tonight the Newman Club will meet in the student lounge. The guest speaker for this meeting will be the Reverend Thomas Hendrickson from the Sacred Heart Academy. After his informal talk he will lead a group discussion.

Refreshments will be served by the food committee.

Mardi Gras Party To Be Held By Language Club

Plans for a Mardi Gras celebration for the language club are underway. The event is set for January 20 and the following committees have been appointed:

Entertainment - Ruth Schillerstrom, Moorhead, chairman; Dorothy Jones, Moorhead; Virginia Pearson, Moorhead; and Glenn Ringstad, Hawley. Food - Dorothy Morrison, Moorhead, chairman; Doris and Doriene Alexander, Regina, Saskatchewan; Flavia Larson, Fargo; and Jean Gardner, Fargo. Invitations - Beverly Hicks, Moorhead. Decorations - Dorothy Burns, Hawley; John Polisen, Dilworth; and Lowell Melbye, Ulen.

A luncheon was held January 10 in the Hollyhock Room in Comstock Hall. After the meal an impromptu program was put on by the members with Charlotte Heisler directing.

Rho Lambda Chi Admit Twenty-two

Rho Lambda Chi held initiation for new members December 14 in Ingleside. The following students were initiated at that time: Margery Christensen, Thief River Falls; Valborg Holte, Ulen; Pearl Nielsen, Oberon, N. Dak.; Jean Boe, Pelican Rapids; Mary Murphy, Graceville; Avis Moen, Fertile; Eleanor Tangen, Frazee; Marion Olson, McIntosh; Birdell Randorf, Thief River Falls; Shirley Ellenson, Gardner, N. Dak.; Patricia Geiger, Hamilton, N. Dak.; June Patridge, St. Paul; Shirley Stempf, Glen; Germaine Krueger, St. Thomas, N. Dak.; Mary Lou Matthew, Humboldt; Marion Putman, Rock Lake, N. Dak.; Lula Brown, Pelican Rapids; Borghild Transrud, Wyndmere, N. Dak.; Ellen Olson, Pelican Rapids; Jeanne Munson, Morris; Ruth Schiller, Forest River, N. Dak.; Lorraine Johnson, Alexandria; Frances Sloan, Detroit Lakes.

A program centering around the Christmas carol, Silent Night, followed the initiation ceremony. Dorothy Miller, Glyndon, read the story of Silent Night, Mae Iverson played a special piano arrangement of it. LaVerne Johnson, Battle Lake, and Mae Iverson, Alvarado, gave the duet rendition. Lunch was served by Avis Bruhschwein, Marion, N. Dak., and Nina Skjold, St. Vincent.

Capt. and Mrs. Westly Visitors on the Campus

Capt. Alph Westley and Mrs. Westley, the former Geraldine Benson, both graduates of M.S.T.C., were visitors on the campus last week. Capt. Westley graduated in '41 and entered the Army. He has recently returned on furlough from the European theater where he served as an Army Communications officer. Mrs. Westley will accompany him on his return to Germany, where he will serve in the Army of Occupation. Post-war plans for Capt. Westley include preparation for a career in U. C. consular service.

IN OUR SORORITIES . . .

Gamma Nu

This week* sees the winter rushing season for the four sororities on the campus underway. The fun parties are being held this week, and rushees will attend formal dinners next week. On Sunday, January 27, the Greek letters will entertain simultaneously at teas in their rooms from 4:00 to 6:00 p. m.

Gamma Nu was first in the order of rotation this year, and entertained Monday evening at the Kise home. Rushees were invited to the "Gilded Cage", of Gay Nineties fame, where waitresses, bartender, bouncer, cigarette girl, gentlemen of the day, and even "Sophie, who may have seen better days" were all in costume. Rushees were provided with Gamma Nu currency with which to buy their gustatory wants during the evening. Committee heads were as follows: entertainment—Joanne Curran; properties—Rosemary Dodds; food—Virginia Pearson.

The alumni group will sponsor next week's formal dinner, which will be held in the Graver hotel. It will also follow the 1890's theme, with its setting of Nob Hill aristocratic society.

Psi Delta Kappa

Plans have been completed for the Psi Delta Kappa winter rushing activities to be centered around a southern theme. The first of the rushing events is a fun party to be held in the sorority room January 17. The formal dinner will be given in the Colonial Room at the Gardner Hotel on Friday evening, January 25. To conclude the winter rushing activities a formal tea will be served in the sorority room on Sunday afternoon, January 27. Committees in charge of arrangements for the rushing events are: decorations—Mae Iverson of Alvarado, Vivian Rickertt of Fargo, Dorothy Miller of Glyndon, and LaVerne Johnson of Battle Lake; program—Ruth Jesness of Cyrus, Lorraine Schlemme of Clinton, Adeline Greenfield of Wolverton, and Rhoda Rehder of Comstock; favors—Lorraine Schlemme and Adeline Greenfield; food—Rhoda Rehder, Connie Schunk of Fargo, and LaVerne Johnson of Battle Lake.

Traditional scholarship awards for the fall quarter were made at a recent meeting of Psi Delta Kappa. LaVerne Johnson of Battle Lake received both the awards for having made the greatest improvement in scholarship and for having earned the highest scholastic record in the fall quarter.

The M. S. T. C. enrollment of the male sex is slowly but surely gaining momentum. Since Christmas recess, eleven new students have become fellow dragons.

Pi Mu Phi

Of late, there has been much activity in The Old Witch Harem. Rushing plans have been made and are being carried out by the ambitious broom-riders. Mother Witch Wiig assigned the following duties to her underlings:

Fun party: decorations—Marion Karsnia, Delores Carlson; entertainment—Betty Britton, Dorothy Ann Morrison, Betty Papermaster; food—Dorothy Mae Grimes, Marion Metcalf, Juell Linde, Pearl Jacobson.

Formal Dinner: decorations—June Larson, Noreen Wiig; entertainment—Joyce Coleman, Dorothy Reynolds; transportation—Delores Carlson, Betty Papermaster, Noreen Wiig.

Formal Tea: invitations—Rita Bastyr, Joybelle Nunn, Dorothy Mathy, Flavia Larson.

Out of the many theme ideas turned in, a unanimous decision was reached with agreement on a musical theme. This theme is to be carried out at three parties. The latest reports from the committees hint that their ideas are to be quite unique.

The Witches have received word from a former member, Gwen Snaar, graduate from Bushnell General Hospital in Utah on January 10.

Beta Chi

Friday night, January 18, the good ship U.S.S. Beta Chi will be docked at Fort MacLean. The Beta Chis and their rushees will frolic at the game room of the ship. Officers in charge of the evening's festivities are Skipper Gunderson, Ensign Isaakson, and Seamen Carlson and Berglund.

If the Beta Chis have seemed a little busy lately there's a reason. The reason was the very successful rummage sale of January 12.

Star performer in English 212 these days is Bob Withnell. Bob wanted to know if the notes Miss Lumley had on the board were in old English script. Along with Dr. Christensen (see previous issue) Miss Lumley is in need of penmanship lessons.

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